GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR
LOK SABHA

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PACKAGE TO BOOST SSI
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have offered different packages to boost Small Scale, Agro and Rural Industrial Sector from time to time;

(b) if so, the details thereof, package-wise;

(c) whether this Sector has made any contribution in the industrial growth of the country during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 upto January;

(d) if so, the details thereof State-wise as on date January 31, 2001; and

(e) if not, the corrective steps to be taken to achieve the target?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGF RURAL INDUSTRIES (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Policy measures for promoting and strengthening small, tiny and village industries were announced on 6th August, 1991 to impart more vitality and growth-impetus to the small scale sector to enable it to contribute its mite fully to the economy, particularly in terms of growth of output, employment and exports.

A comprehensive Policy Package for Small Scale Industries (SSI) and Tiny Sector was announced on 30th August, 2000 to strengthen the small scale sector and enhance its competitiveness both domestically and globally. The policy package inter-alia includes easier access to credit, availability of collateral free composite loans upto Rs. 25 lakhs, capital subsidy for technological upgradation and improved infrastructure.

(c) & (d): The contribution of SSI towards industrial production during 1998-99 and 1999-2000 was 39.55% and 39.53% respectively. Figures for 2000-01 are not yet available. State-wise data for contribution of SSI Sector to industrial production is not maintained centrally.

(e): Does not arise.